



A Liturgy of the Word - Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
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The full service or the sermon can be viewed on the website.

Processional Hymn

**Christ is the world's light, Christ and none other;
born in our darkness, he became our brother.
If we have seen him, we have seen the Father:
Glory to God on high!**

**Christ is the world's peace, Christ and none other;
no one can serve him and despise another.
Who else unites us, one with God the Father?
Glory to God on high!**

**Christ is the world's life, Christ and none other;
sold once for silver, murdered here, our brother.
He who redeemed us, reigns with God the Father:
Glory to God on high!**

**Give God the glory, God and none other;
give God the glory, Spirit, Son and Father;
give God the glory, God with us, our brother:
Glory to God on high!**



Call to Worship

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

The Lord is our light and our life.
O come, let us worship.

Let us pray.
We thank you, O God, that you have again brought us together to praise you for your goodness and to ask your blessing. Give us grace to see your hand in the week that is past, and your purpose in the week to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.



The Gloria

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to God's people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

Collect for Purity

Let us pray.

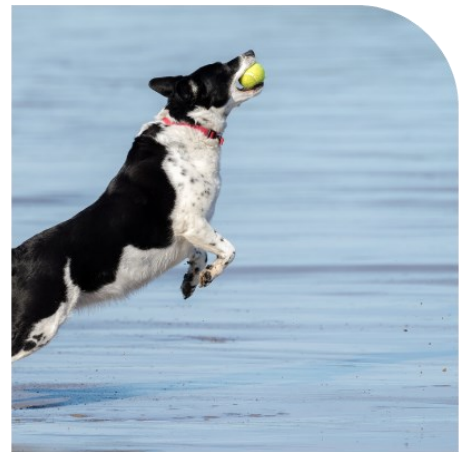
Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hid:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord.

The Kyrie

Nkosi yiba nenceba x3
Kristu yiba nenceba x3
Nkosi yiba nenceba x3

The Penitence

God of justice and grace:
you desire mercy not sacrifice;
forgive us for neglecting the weightier matters of the law,
and hear us as we confess our sins:





**Almighty God, our heavenly Father
in penitence we confess that we have sinned against you
through our own fault
in thought, word, and deed,
and in what we have left undone.
For the sake of your Son, Christ our Lord
forgive us all that is past
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life
to the glory of your Name.**

Absolution

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy on you:
pardon your sins and set you free from them; confirm and strengthen
you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ
our Lord. **Amen.**

The Collect

**Lord Jesus Christ,
you are the pioneer and perfecter of our faith:
set us on fire as your brave witnesses
ready to bear the cost of our discipleship;
for you live and reign with the Father
and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.**

The Word of God

Isaiah 5:1-7
Psalm 80:1-2, 8-19
Hebrews 11:29-12:2

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia
Open our hearts O Lord,
To listen to the words of your Son
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Gospel Reading

Luke 12: 49-56





The Sermon

by Revd Matthew Wright

Affirmation of Faith

Let us declare our faith in God.

**We believe in God the Father,
from whom every family
in heaven and on earth is named.**

**We believe in God the Son,
who lives in our hearts through faith,
and fills us with his love.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us
with power from on high.**

**We believe in one God;
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen**



Prayers of Intercession

God of mercy and compassion, slow to anger and abounding in love, we bring before you our prayers:

For Ecumenism: In a world that is increasingly fractured and divided, we pray for people of all faiths. Help us to recognise and build on that which is common to our faiths - fair treatment of all and betterment of our communities. May the Church seek to reconcile divisions within itself and establish bridges between it and other faiths.

Lord in Your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

For an end to suffering: Look with mercy, Lord, upon our hurting world. Whole communities suffer the ravages of war, famine, and economic downturn. May you increase our capacity for compassion and convict world leaders of their collective responsibility to work toward peace. We pray for the cessation of all wars and for the healing of the nations.

Lord in Your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

For our own country: Heavenly Father, we commit into your hands our own country and its government. We pray for our president and all cabinet ministers. We pray for accountability and a better work ethic in our municipalities. We pray for our justice system and for an end to corruption. Above all we pray for the disenfranchised, the unemployed, the orphaned, and those without access to adequate healthcare.

Lord in Your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

For the community of St Michael's. We bring before you, heavenly Father, all those who belong to St Michael's, Bryanston, or who have connections to this parish. We thank you for the faithful departed who were part of this parish and to whom we are still joined spiritually. We thank-you for your continual faithfulness and provision. Inspire us to fulfil our calling as the Body of Christ in this place, that we would help establish your kingdom on earth.

Lord in Your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**



For ourselves: Finally, Lord, we commit ourselves into your hands. Wherever we may be in the coming week, we ask you to meet us on our journeys. For those who need comfort, may your hand be upon us, for those who need encouragement, may your Word inspire us; for those who need consolation, may your loving arms enfold us. May your blessing be upon us, our households, and those we love.

Lord in Your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

We make these prayers in the name of Jesus Christ, our Saviour.

Amen

Prayer for Offering

Faithful Father, thank you that you give the gift of abundant, eternal life. You have said that you are a Good Father who gives us good gifts. Your generosity overflows to us. Everything we have is a gift from you. As we bring our offerings to you, we give back to you from the abundant blessings you have given us. May our gifts be acceptable in your sight, O Lord our God. Blessing and glory, wisdom and thanksgiving, honour, and power and strength, be unto you our God forever and ever.

Amen

Lord's Prayer

Gathering our prayers and praises into one, let us pray as our Saviour taught us:

Our Father in Heaven

hallowed be your name

your kingdom come

your will be done

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours

now and forever.

Amen



Prayer of Thanksgiving

Finally, God's faithful, "Rejoice always, pray continually, and give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." For in possessing a spirit of thanksgiving and praise, our eyes will be opened to God's kingdom in our midst. **Amen.**

Final Blessing

Lord God,

Fill our minds with Your wisdom

Fill our hearts with Your love

And guide our words and actions



that we might become the living presence of Your peace.
Bless our homeland
That we might witness to Your transforming universal call to justice,
And inspire all that we do in and with Your whole human family
to protect and nurture all of Your creation.

Place within us the mind of servants,
that we might build and nurture a world without violence
in the building of your kingdom of love, justice and peace.
Amen.

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen

Recessional Hymn

**At the name of Jesus
every knee shall bow,
every tongue confess him
King of glory now;
'tis the Father's pleasure
we should call him Lord,
who from the beginning
was the mighty Word.**

**Humbled for a season
to receive a name
from the lips of sinners
unto whom he came,
faithfully he bore it
spotless to the last,
brought it back victorious
when from death he passed;**

**Bore it up triumphant
with its human light,
through all ranks of creatures
to the central height,
to the throne of Godhead,
to the Father's breast,
filled it with the glory
of that perfect rest.**





Surely, this Lord Jesus shall return again in his Father's glory, with his angel train; for all wreaths of empire meet upon his brow, and our hearts confess him King of glory now.



Have a blessed week

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